

Managing Sediments in the Watershed: Bringing Dredged Material and Watershed Managers Together Agenda

Tuesday, August 29

*Unless otherwise noted all sessions will be held in
Multnomah/Holladay

8:30-9:30

Session 1: Welcome and Overview

Welcome

Karen Durham-Aguilera, USACE

Overview of conference objectives

Craig Vogt, USEPA

Angie Premo, USACE

How is dredged material and sediment management occurring in the watershed today?

Steve Goldbeck, San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission

Keynote: Why dredged material, sediment, and watershed managers should coordinate

John Paul Woodley, Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works

Ben Grumbles, Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, USEPA

9:30-10:30

Session 2: Setting the Stage for Coordination

Dredging – why and who?

Glenn Vanselow, Pacific Northwest Waterways Association

What is a “watershed approach” to dredged material management?

Tracie Nadeau, USEPA

Overview of sediment systems

Jeff Waters, USACE

Sediment as a resource

Vern Gwinn, USACE

10:30-10:45

Break

10:45-12:00

Session 3a: Lessons and Experiences on Integrated Approaches to Managing Sediment in the Watershed: *Identifying essential knowledge for your counterparts/partners*

Challenges of watershed planning

Ray Allen, Coastal Bend Bays Estuary Program

Dawn Uchiyama, Portland Bureau of Environmental Services

Challenges of dredged material and port management

Sebastian Degens, Port of Portland

Steve Dorrlar, New York/New Jersey Port Authority

Speaker response to challenges - How could you address your counterpart's challenges?

12:00-1:30

Lunch (on your own)

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Session 3b: Lessons and Experiences on Integrated Approaches to Managing Sediment in the Watershed:

Managing sediment in the watershed through a multi-agency approach: A case study from the Great Lakes

Dave Knight, Great Lakes Commission
Gary Overmeir, Great Lakes Commission
Randy Bournique, Ohio EPA

2:15-3:30

**Session 4a: Integrating Dredged Material Management and Watershed Planning:
*Sediment Erosion Control and Reduction at Source***

Panel Chair: Jerry Bernard, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Programmatic sediment management plan

Carl Christiansen, USACE, Walla Walla District

Tuttle Creek targeted watershed grants

Phil Barnes, Kansas State

Nonpoint source (NPS)

Dov Weitman, USEPA

Total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) - Case study

Lee Currey, Maryland Department of Environment

3:30-3:45

Break

3:45-4:45

**Session 4a continued:
*Beneficial Use***

Panel chair: Vern Gwinn, USACE

Houston-Galveston ship channel beneficial use

Eddie Seidensticker, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Using contaminated sediments beneficially

Richard A. Price, USACE, Engineers Research Development Center-Environmental Lab

4:45-5:45

**Session 4a continued:
*Habitat Loss and Sediment Considerations***

Panel Chair: Ralph Cantral, NOAA

Impacts on unique habitat: Sediment and coral reefs

Ernesto Diaz, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources

Lower Columbia River Estuary Program habitat restoration strategy

Jill Leary and Debrah Marriott, Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership

6:00-8:00

Networking Reception

Room: PNW Ballroom

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8:30-9:30 **Session 4b: Integrating Dredged Material Management and Watershed Planning:
Regional Sediment Management**

Panel Chair: Jeff Waters, USACE

California sediment management master plan

Kim Sterrett, California Coastal Commission

Total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) as tools for sediment management

Francoise Brasier, USEPA

Regional Sediment Management (RSM) concept approach

Lynn Martin, USACE

9:30-10:30 **Session 5: Using Sediment Systems in Applying a Watershed Approach to Coastal
Geographic Regions**

Case study on the Regional Sediment Management approach in the NE Gulf of Mexico

Larry Parson, USACE Mobile

Case study on New York/New Jersey Harbor and Estuary Program

Doug Pabst, USEPA

Steve Dorrlor, New York/New Jersey Port Authority

Jennifer Samson, Clean Ocean Action

10:30-10:45 **Break**

10:45-11:15 **Session 6: Integrating Dredged Material Management and Watershed Planning:
Where Do We Need to Go?**

Part A: Plenary discussion

A Vision of where we'd like to go

Charley Chesnutt, USACE

Ralph Cantral, NOAA

Kerry St. Pé, Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary Program

Charge to breakout groups

Carlton Hunt

11:15-1:00 **Session 6 continued: Integrating Dredged Material Management and Watershed
Planning: Where Do We Need to Go?**

Part B: Breakout groups – Identifying next steps

<u>Room</u>	<u>Breakout group</u>
Morrison	1
Broadway	2
Weidler	3
Hawthorne	4
Sellwood	5
Ross Island	6

11:30-1:00 **Working Lunch**

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1:30-2:30 **Session 6 continued: Integrating Dredged Material Management and Watershed Planning: *Where Do We Need to Go?***

Part C: Report out from breakout sessions

2:30- 3:00 **Session 7: Case Study on the Lower Columbia Solutions Group**
Greg Wolf, Oregon Solutions Group
Kathleen Drew, State of Washington
Jane Bacchaeri, Office of the Governor, Oregon-Natural Resources
Davis Moriuchi, USACE, Portland
Bill Wyatt, Executive Director, Port of Portland

3:00-3:15 **Session 8: Developing Sediment Management Plans by Geographic Areas/Watersheds**

Part A – Plenary discussion

3:15-3:30 **Break**

3:30-5:30 ***Part B – Breakout groups***

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<i>Morrison</i>	<i>A</i>
<i>Broadway</i>	<i>B</i>
<i>Weidler</i>	<i>C</i>
<i>Hawthorne</i>	<i>D</i>
<i>Sellwood</i>	<i>E</i>
<i>Ross Island</i>	<i>F</i>

7:00-8:00 ***Optional Film***
Showing of Louisiana Public Broadcasting's new documentary "Washing Away: Losing Louisiana."
This is a story of Louisiana's disappearing coastline and how this unfolding crisis affects all of America
- as told through the eyes of people affected by hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

Kerry St. Pé of Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary Program will be available for questions.

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8:30-9:30 **Session 8 continued: Developing Sediment Management Plans by Geographic Areas/Watersheds**

Part C - Report out from breakout groups

9:30-10:30 **Session 9: Overview of Funding and Legislative Issues**
Rich Worthington, USACE
Barry Holliday, Dredging Contractors of America
Lloyd Saunders, Port of Houston
Bill Jarocki, Environmental Finance Center at Boise State University

10:30-10:45 **Break**

10:45-11:45 **Session 10: What are the Next Steps and Identified Actions?**

Facilitated discussion
Drew Carey

11:45-12:15 **Session 11: Final Remarks**
Karen Durham-Aguilera, USACE
Suzanne Schwartz, USEPA
David Sanford, American Association for Port Authorities
Gerhard Kuska, Council of Environmental Quality

12:15-12:30 **Session 12: Closing**
NDT Co-Chairs:
Craig Vogt, USEPA
Angie Premo, USACE

12:30-1:30 **Lunch** (on your own)

1:30-2:30 **Opening of SIMOR Workshop**

Workshop Session 1: Who We Are – Federal Governance under the U.S. Ocean Action Plan

Overview of U.S. Ocean Action Plan
SIMOR's purpose, priorities, and work plan
Overview of Joint Subcommittee on Ocean Science and Technology's (JSOST) Ocean Research Priorities Plan

Gerhard Kuska, CEQ & SIMOR Co-chair

Question and answer session

2:30-2:45 **Break**

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Workshop Session 2: How can SIMOR Help with Conference Next Steps?

Federal Perspective Panel – What is being done? (2:45-3:3100)

Gerhard Kuska, CEQ & SIMOR Co-chair
Suzanne Schwartz, USEPA & SIMOR Member
Jerry Bernard, USDA
Mike Crouse, NOAA
Charley Chesnutt, USACE

Regional Perspective Panel – What is being done and what is needed:

Perspectives from Washington, Oregon, and California (3:30-4:15)

Brian Lynn, Washington Department of Ecology
Tom Eaton, EPA - Washington Operations Office
Debrah Marriott, Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership
Drew Bohan, California Ocean Protection Council

Federal and regional feedback panel discussion (4:15-4:45)

Federal and Regional representatives discuss conference “next steps” in the context of U.S. Ocean Action Plan activities and regional initiatives in order to identify opportunities for collaboration. Conference participants are invited to join in the discussion.

5:00

Adjourn